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1. On 28 March 1951 [redacted] 17 Soviet trucks, carrying uniformed Soviet soldiers, proceed through Silistra, Bulgaria, in a westerly direction. The trucks in the convoy, led by [redacted] [redacted] high ranking officers, carried 30 to 40 soldiers each. 50X1-HUM
2. On 28 April 31 Infantry Regiment moved from Silistra to Svilengrad. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
3. The next day, 29 April, Soviet troops entered Silistra and occupied 31 Infantry Regiment barracks. [redacted] three groups of 15 trucks [redacted] continue to enter on the following two days. The trucks, some radio-equipped, each carried 30 to 40 Soviets wearing green uniforms and equipped with rifles and light machine guns. After depositing the soldiers the trucks returned. 50X1-HUM
4. Also on 29 April [redacted] 95 tanks enter [redacted] Silistra and [redacted] a total of about one hundred and twenty tanks entered the city. The tanks were [redacted] T-34 and JS-3 types. 50X1-HUM
5. On 30 April two Communist deputies from Silistra publicly announced that the Soviet troops were from the Constanta area and would billet in Silistra for maneuvers. 50X1-HUM
6. On 1 May ten Soviet cargo ships arrived in Silistra and unloaded field guns, anti-aircraft artillery and other materiel. All guns were rubber tired. During the unloading strict security was maintained in the port area.

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7. In the billeting area strict security measures were enforced and the soldiers were not permitted to leave it. The units to which they belong appear self-sufficient. As of 8 May 1951,  these troops were still in Silistra.

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